

DEER PARK - c. 1818 - 3115 Black Rock Road (entrance 0.9 mile southeast of Benson Mill Road. Probably built by Joshua Kemp, who acquired his first parcel here in 1817. It was shown as Joshua Kemp's on the 1850 map and as Kinsey Kemp's in the 1877 atlas. Kinsey Kemp had taken title in 1870, in a deed that mentioned parts of the tracts Deer Park, Caples Habitation, Hooker's Prospect, Good Luck, Chance, Price's Hunting Ground, and the Second Cost. Kinsey Kemp died in 1917 and the heirs sold that year to Columbus and Ivy Tracey. The Traceys sold to Lillian M. Geer of New York City in 1941. The home parcel passed to Jay K. Secor in 1946, to Philip R. Macht in 1950, and to Janon Fisher in 1956. Mr. Fisher was a Master of Fox Hounds, who had previously moved from the Caves and brought the Caves gate posts with him. Following Mr. Fisher's death, the property was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Worrall, who agreed to an easement permitting fox hunting. The main block of this house is five bays wide in a plain Federal style, measuring 20 by 47 feet in the 1918 tax ledger. There are brick jack arches over the windows. There is a one-bay entrance porch with deck, also a box cornice; standing-seam tin roof. Also a long back building; a second story sleeping porch. A garage wing was added in 1954, per Mrs. Fisher. All brick construction.